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## YOUR FARM PROBLEM

by Ezra Taft Benson  
Secretary of Agriculture  
(Part Two)

Any effective solution of today's farm problem must provide methods for reducing our huge stockpile of agricultural commodities and at the same time prevent further burdensome accumulations.

Getting rid of these surpluses is only half of our problem. Even if we were able to bring them down to manageable proportions, we would soon acquire new hoards of wheat, corn, cotton and butter under the existing system of price supports.

We already have approximately \$2.5 billions tied up in loans on farm commodities, in addition to an equal amount invested in goods which we own outright—\$5 billions in all.

Our present program does not encourage the production shifts which are required to meet the changing market demands for various commodities.

Of course, we could destroy some of our surpluses. Remember the government's fiasco of a few years ago?

Or we might plow under every third row of cotton and kill little pigs. Remember the mid-1930's?

Actually, we would not even consider such wasteful practices.

We are attempting to move surplus food and fiber into foreign markets. World prices, however, are well below the figures at which we acquired these commodities under our price support operations. This means that we will be forced to take substantial losses on whatever we sell abroad.

At the same time, we must avoid outright dumping, which disrupts normal trade channels and brings down upon us the wrath of other friendly countries.

There are these other alternatives: We can make real effort to move surpluses out of warehouses and into stomachs by promoting greater public consumption of some commodities. We can push forward in our research programs to uncover new uses for farm goods. We can throw our entire weight behind plans for expanding present foreign markets and finding new outlets overseas.

Such methods, while they will not produce results as quickly as dumping or destroying food, offer a far sounder approach to our basic problems.

Along these lines, I can report that our promotional campaign, undertaken with the meat industry and food stores, is producing real results. We are consuming beef this year at the rate of 75 pounds per person, the highest in our history.

Farm exports have turned upward since July 1, reflecting our emphasis upon expanding trade. Continued high employment at home, with national income at record levels, means a strong demand for farm goods in the United States.

Our population is growing at a rate of more than 2,000,000 per year, which means that by 1975 there will be 200,000,000 Americans. Our future farm problems may involve questions of shortages, rather than surpluses.

We cannot wait for an expanding population to solve our immediate troubles, however. We need an ad interim program to encourage shifts to other crops. We must halt further build-ups of government stockpiles now.

Our urgent need is for a price support program which can be adjusted in terms of production and demand. One which will effectively reduce surpluses, with a minimum of government controls.

That is our immediate goal. Such a program will be offered to Congress by this Administration in January.

To our readers and all who cooperate in the production of the Citizen we extend sincere wishes for

## A HAPPY NEW YEAR

### GRANT NOYES

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lealle Noyes, East Bethel, Saturday, Dec. 26, when their daughter, Carolyn Marjorie, was united in marriage with Conrad Warren Grant of Winsport. The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Charles Pendleton of Bethel. They were attended by Miss Judith Ham of Lewiston as maid-of-honor and Howard Waterhouse of Bethel as best man. The bride was a gown of light blue rayon with a corsage of red roses. The maid of honor was dressed in navy with a corsage of pink roses. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Grant of Reading, Mass., Miss Elizabeth Grant of Lewiston, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mollicone and children, Phillip and Nina, of Augusta.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Grant are seniors at the University of Maine. Mrs. Grant is majoring in Home Economics Education and Mr. Grant is majoring in Dairy Husbandry. He is a member of Alpha Gamma Rho. They will reside at Winsport and commute daily to Oxford.

### PATRICIA ANN DAVIS

Patricia Ann Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerrald Davis, died Saturday evening at the Children's Hospital, Boston, where she had been a patient since October.

She was born August 30 in Adams, Mass.

Besides her parents, she is survived by her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kodan of Cheshire, Mass., and her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis, Bethel.

Services were held in North Adams, Tuesday morning and burial was at the cemetery in Cheshire.

### MUSIC APPRECIATION GROUP TO PRESENT SECOND IN SERIES OF ARTISTS' RECITALS

The Music Appreciation Group of Bethel will present the second in a series of Artist Recitals that was started last October with the Alfred Krups program.

On January 14 at 8 p. m. George Alfred Lowe, baritone, and Paul with Walter Marcus at the piano, will be featured at a song recital at Gould Academy.

Mr. Lowe was soloist with the Concordia Chorale under Dr. Thompson Stone, and has concertized extensively throughout New England. At present he is soloist at the Arlington St. Church, Boston.

### ANNUAL MARCH OF DIMES UNDERWAY IN JANUARY

The annual March of Dimes campaign against polio will be carried on during the month of January. In charge of men's activities in Bethel, Gilhead and Locke Mills this year will be J. Russell Graham, and the women's division will be headed by Mrs. Norma Jodore, Local events and plans in connection with the drive will be announced later.

Our reception was held following the ceremony. Mrs. Charles Stewart and Mrs. Dorothy Moore were in charge of the refreshments assisted by Mrs. Melvin Tenney and Miss Jacqueline Macfarlane. Mrs. Henry Mattson cut the wedding cake.

Miss Marlene Anderson presided at the gift table and Mrs. Carl Perkins was in charge of the guest book.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Den Kerckhoven, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. Her gown was American beauty nylon and velvet, fashioned identical to the maid of honor. They carried colonial bouquets of white roses and carnations.

Carl Perkins, of Bucksport, was best man and Ernest Bourgon, brother of the bridegroom, was usher.

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Mr. and Mrs. Van Den Kerckhoven entertained the bridal party Saturday evening. Mrs. A. Van Den Kerckhoven, grandmother of the bride, assisted by an aunt, Mrs. Walter Tukander entertained at a buffet luncheon Sunday noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bourgon left on a wedding trip to New York City and will reside in Philadelphia, Pa. For her traveling ensemble the bride wore a beige coat over a brown suit with green and brown accessories. Her corsage was a white orchid.

The bride is a graduate of Conant Academy and attended Colby College.

Mr. Bourgon is a graduate of Bucksport High School and Colby College. He is now a dental student at Temple University School of Dentistry, Philadelphia, Pa.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mattson, Donald, Astrid, Hilda, Perry, Henry, Jr., and Linda Mattson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart of Bucksport; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Johnson, Edie and Frederick Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Johnson, Berlin, N. H.; Carl Frederickson of Buffalo, N. Y.; Jacqueline Macfarlane, Boston, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Tenney, Bristol, Conn.; Philip Hussey, Berwick; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cooper, Gardiner, and Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Hallett, Augusta.

A three-day-old Rumford infant was rushed to the Children's Hospital in Boston with a three-state

## Comm. Agrees School Needs Two Rooms

Two previous issues of the Citizen have published some items of information from the findings of the School Survey Committee. These two previous items contained information as to the number of pupils enrolled, anticipated enrollment in future years, method by which building funds could be obtained from the Maine School Building Authority, probable costs of building additions, etc.

The committee, on the basis of its work so far has agreed that the town should as soon as possible add to the Crescent Park School the two rooms contained in the original ten room plan, but which were not built at that time because of lack of funds.

Next Tuesday, Jan. 6th, the Survey Committee meets again. At this and subsequent meetings the committee will fulfill its responsibility delegated to it and make some definite recommendations for action by the town at the annual March meeting.

### BROWN - SWAN

Miss Wilma Beth Swan, daughter of Mrs. Eva F. Swan and the late Carl H. Swan of Locke Mills, became the bride of Henry Bourgon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bourgon of Bucksport, Sunday afternoon December 27th at 2 o'clock.

The wedding was held at the home of the bride's parents before an archway of evergreen and white pompons.

The Rev. Charles Pendleton officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The traditional wedding music was played by the organist, Miss Laura Wilson and Miss Janice Lord.

The couple's attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Brown of Belgrade, brother of the groom and sister of the bride.

The bride wore a blue suit with matching accessories and a corsage of white carnations. The matron of honor was attired in a gray suit with black accessories and a corsage of dark pink carnations.

Following the wedding a reception was held at the Legion Hall in Locke Mills. Mrs. Irving W. Brown, sister-in-law of the groom, circulated the guest book. Mrs. Donald S. Brown, another sister-in-law of the groom, was in charge of the gift table. Mrs. Keith Ring, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Miss Jane Smith, cousin of the groom, presided over the punch bowl.

The wedding cake was made by Mrs. Rodney Jordan, sister of the bride, and served by the matron of honor.

Those in the receiving line other than the bride and groom and their attendants, were Mrs. Eva F. Swan, mother of the bride, who wore a gray dress with a corsage of pink carnations, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Brown, parents of the groom. The groom's mother wore green with a pink carnation corsage.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. James W. Ring, Mrs. Annie Kimball, Rodney Jordan, Mrs. Joan Croteau, Mrs. Eva Swan, and Hugh Swan of Locke Mills; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Brown, Durward H. Mason, Mrs. Delwin Long, Mary Kimball, Mrs. Chester Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Smith, and Jane Smith, all of Belgrade; Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Swan, Jr. and family, Dixfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Tammann, Vassalboro.

Those sending gifts but unable to attend were Mrs. Anna Stowell, Mrs. Marjorie Billings, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Swan, Mrs. Rodney Jordan, Sherwood and Karen Jordan, Miss Charlotte Cole, Mr. and Mrs. George Flauder, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Trask, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Blake, Charles Blake, Mrs. May Farrington, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baron, Mr. and Mrs. Maxon Emery and Piercy, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Twitchell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Turvey, Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Greenleaf, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cole, Miss Susan Kneeland, Mr. and Mrs. Richard McElveen, Mrs. Helena Bartlett and Paul, Mrs. Florence Machla, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Swan, Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Pike, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stevens and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dunham, Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Les Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Seames, Mr. and Mrs. William Young, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Parrar, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dunnham, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Howe, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bennett, Mrs.

## ACP Program For County Approved

The Agricultural Conservation Program for 1954 has been approved by the county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee and will be available to farmers of the county beginning at once. Those who wish to participate in any of the twenty conservation practices of the program can make out their requests for approval any time now according to John H. McKeen, chairman of the County Committee.

The chairman states that community committees will not call on farmers to get their requests during the next few weeks but farmers may enroll by calling or either community committee or by coming to the county office.

The first enrollment period ends on January 15 and the date for beginning practices under the 1954 program is February 15, Mr. McKeen states.

Several new soil and water conservation practices are being offered to Oxford County farmers under the ACP program for 1954, according to Mr. McKeen. The chairman states that among these are the following:

1. The use of both fertilizer and lime together with an approved seedling mixture to get the best possible cover of grasses and legumes in apple orchards.

2. The use of lime, fertilizer, and an approved seedling mixture to get a good vegetative cover on land that is suitable for only pasture or hay.

3. The construction of a small pond where from 40 to 200 cubic yards of earth are taken out to provide water for livestock.

4. The establishment of a permanent vegetative cover to protect gullies, dams, ditches, and field borders from erosion.

5. The prevention of stream bank erosion by grading and using rocks to prevent the washing way of good crop soil.

The farmers who wish to get more information or to carry out spring seeding and other practices should request approval by January 15 according to the chairman.

### BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. and Mrs. George Holt visited his sister, Mrs. L. W. Ramsell, Sunday.

Dee and Mrs. W. H. Boynton and children are spending a few days in Boston.

David Kneeland is at home from Aurora College, Aurora, Ill., for the holidays.

Richard Holt of Long Island, N. Y., visited his aunt, Mrs. L. W. Ramsell, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bryant and son, George of Lewiston are visiting relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Butters and family of Hartford, Conn., are guests of Mrs. H. I. Bean.

Mr. and Mrs. John Greenleaf and daughter Christine spent the week end at Somerville, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wat of Boston have been recent visitors of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Boynton.

Miss Norma Hunt of Boston spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Levesque and son John of Chicago, Mrs. Adeline Linehan and family and Miss Margaret Welch of Lewiston were Sunday guests at E. O. Donahue's.

Miss Alice Bennett of Nahant, N. H., and Miss Isabelle Bennett of New York are guests this week of their mother, Mrs. Frances Bentzett.

Miss Agnes Sweet, of Errol, N. H.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dexter were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Pula and family, Rutherford, and Mrs. Vera Dexter, Westfield.

Mabel B. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Mills.

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### ROADSIDE GRILLE

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PROMISE OF THE LAND

One of the world's great problems within man's capacity to solve is that of adequately feeding the people. At many places on the earth's surface it has not been solved. It hasn't been solved in India where famine has stalked throughout the centuries and where teeming millions today are perpetually undernourished. It hasn't been solved in China where chronic hunger has been a miserable burden passed from one generation to the next. And there are other places around the world where it hasn't been solved.

India hasn't at last solved the problem of feeding her millions by adopting Socialism; nor is China's centuries-old hunger going to be appeased by the phony "land reform" of the Communists. The great food problem of Asia, as elsewhere, can be solved only by vastly increasing productivity on the land. In our free America, industry and science have joined to make our farms the biggest producers and our people the best fed on earth.

Key to Survival

But America alone hasn't the acreage to fill the gap in the world's underproduction of food. Nevertheless, our industries are harnessing science to develop an amazing new form of agriculture which, if it could be applied throughout the world, would ease mankind's age-old struggle for life-giving nourishment. And the most productive field in this scientific pioneering by American industry is that of chemistry. It can be said now with certainty that chemistry literally holds the key to survival in a world whose underfed population continues to grow and grow.

Our big chemical industries have already begun to revolutionize American agriculture. Monsanto, Union Carbide and Carbon, Dow, American Cyanamid, Du Pont, and many others have developed chemicals which in recent years have brought astonishing results in farm productivity. And all these companies agree that they are but on the threshold of an almost unlimited potential for agricultural development.

A Big Truth

Du Pont, one of the biggest, seems to be focusing its vast total resources to the direction of the land and its potential. This one company is spending a substantial portion of its multi-million research budget on agricultural chemistry. It has just published a fascinating booklet entitled "The Story of Farm Chemicals." In it is traced the history of mankind on the land. The story of man in his rise from poverty and want. Du Pont observes, "The story of his struggle to wrest his food from the soil."

And the booklet points up an another truth: "When each man can raise only enough food to feed himself, then all productive effort must go to the raising of food. That's a valid verdict of civilization's progress in the extent to which the farmers' productivity per capita larger and larger segments of the population to use their skills in other fields."

Productivity Pays Off

How strikingly this truth is brought home as you travel across the Middle West, or India in the Ganges valley. I saw literally a whole people enslaved to the land because their ancient farming methods produced so little. I find among similar conditions in China where the tools and techniques of farming are as old and unchanging as the Great Wall and where the poor cast of the people are plowed down in the soil in an attempt to eat. Too few are left to be producing the sheaves of advancing civilization.

In 1950 America was producing over twice more than enough food stuff for herself even though 45 per cent of her people lived on farms. Today, with 10 percent of the population on farms we are much better fed. The reasons have been freed in so to industrial and business entities and produce other goods and services to enrich American life. Our population has

# DALE CARNEGIE

AUTHOR OF "HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING"

WILLIAM B. LYLE, JR., 4136 Washington Avenue, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, was building a boat. The framework had been completed, and he was stretching the plywood around the curved surface of the prow when he discovered that a gap existed between the lower surface of the plywood and the framework. Plywood has its limitations for bending, and this was one of them. It simply would not pull down to fit the boat framework.

He had been working on the boat in his spare time, which was usually rather late in the evening, and he was tired. He probably should have been in bed an hour before. He sat down and looked at the situation with thoughts of despair—and worried for half an hour. He visualized having to rebuild the whole front end of the boat and he did not want to spend this time back-tracking.

He stopped and asked himself the question, "Bill Lyle, how big a fool can you be? You know the problem; the plywood won't fit the boat. What are the facts in the case? If the plywood won't fit the boat you have to make the boat fit the plywood." There was no other solution, so he went to work at the task of changing the framework. Immediately he felt better because he had conquered his worry by deciding on a course of action and acting on the decision.

This case made him think of all the times that he had been in similar situations where there were other small things from day to day causing him to worry...

Now when he has occasion for worry he simply stops a minute and thinks each little worry through. He gathers the facts, analyzes them and decides on a course of action. Then he follows the course of action he believes to be best.

That simple formula has saved him endless worry.

## Economic Highlights . . .

Happenings That Affect the Future of Every Individual — National and International Problems Inseparable From Local Welfare

Until comparatively recently, as history is measured, the techniques of farming had not changed essentially in centuries. The main asset of the farmer was the strength to do the most arduous kind of hand work for long hours each day. Neither the tools nor the knowledge existed for getting the most out of the soil, nor for protecting the soil against the ravages of man and nature.

The change that has taken place in a generation or two fully deserves the term revolutionary. The aids to better living and to more efficient production that the farmer now has at his disposal would have staggered his grandfather.

These aids are of many kinds, and they reach into every conceivable facet of the agricultural scheme of things. The major farm organizations, for example, such as the Grange and the Farm Bureau Federation, serve to a large extent as the farmers' spokesman in legislative and political matters, and they also are effective agents in publishing the thinking and problems of agriculture, as well as in bringing farmers together to discuss and deal with questions of common interest. The national and regional agricultural magazines, some of which have gained huge circulations, provide a mixture of information and entertainment with the emphasis strongly on the information side. The best of these publications have editorial standards second to none, and they are eminently readable as well as authoritative.

Finally, certain industries have made tremendous contributions to better farming in all its ramifications. The fact that these contributions are commercially motivated in no way lessens their value—the industries concerned couldn't have sold their goods and services unless hard-headed, economy-minded consumers had found them well worth the cost. One of those industries is electric power—with no minimizing the work of REA or any other government organization. History testifies that the utilities pioneered rural and farm electrification and have been leaders in the movement ever since. The result is that all but a very small

Federal and state governments offer very extensive services to the farmer, on matters of both national and local application. They have in print an almost endless list of pamphlets, dealing with every kind of agricultural operation, down to the most intensely specialized. And the county agent is a fixture in the farm scene.

The soil conservation districts, organized and administered by farmers themselves, have done a great and absolutely necessary work. As late as 1925 there had been little actual study of erosion control, and the problem was urgent. Moreover, each farm was different, presenting individual difficulties.

Some way had to be found to place the primary responsibility for soil and water conservation where it belonged and where it could be handled—with farmers and ranchers. The districts have provided for a partnership between the farmer and the public and private agencies involved in the vast conservation program.

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percentage of our farmers are users of central station power, or have it available.

Another is the farm equipment industry. The role of the tractor and of the other machines in the agricultural revolution can hardly be exaggerated. The machine has solved the over-riding problem of how to get greater production at a lesser cost. It is, of course, the ministry of soil and conservation work, with its ability to do in a few hours jobs that would demand the back-breaking work of many men for days or weeks. And, in the view of the agricultural authorities, its importance will continue to increase, as the nation deals with the imminent problem of supporting a swiftly rising population with food and fiber from a farm acreage that is virtually fixed.

## LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

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How about 1954—and now is the time to look over our shoulder and see how come it didn't turn out in 1953 like our year ago resolution. Where is that extra \$60 bucks a month that it looked so easy to put aside? It flew the coop—or did it. Had a little too much fun—maybe—and sometimes a next morning foggy taste.

V. A. NEWS LETTER

Myles P. Cronkite, Officer-in-charge, VA Office, 98 Harlow St., Bangor, this week proposed a New Year's resolution for all GI insurance policy holders—one that will save the veterans' money during 1954, and also will help VA administer its vast insurance program more efficiently.

By paying his National Service

Life Insurance premiums on a quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis, the veteran cuts down on the number of mailings to the VA's District Office, and also realizes a cash saving amount of his premium payments, VA said.

VA looks for substantial savings in clerical and paper work, due to less frequent postings to each veteran's insurance premium record.

Policy holders with addresses in

New England who wish to switch from monthly premium payments to quarterly, semi-annual or annual payments should write to: VA District Office, P. O. Box 8076, Philadelphia 1, Pa., or contact Cronkite's office.

VA advises that the policy holder

be sure to include in his letter the number of his GI insurance certificate, so that his account may be identified and VA can advise him promptly the exact amount of premium due, depending on the mode of payment the veteran selects.

Questions and Answers

Q.—Through an oversight, I paid my GI insurance premium just before the 30-day grace period expired. But I'm afraid the premium won't reach VA until after the grace period ends. Will my insurance lapse?

A.—The postmark date on the envelope is considered as the date on which the premium was paid.

That was June 27, 1950.

Q.—Where can further details on Korean veteran training benefits be obtained?

A.—At any VA office.

# 'HAPPY LANDING KID!'



term insurance to permanent insurance. I have a \$10,000 policy. Do I have to convert all of it at the same time?

A.—No. You may convert either the entire amount, or any part of it, in multiples of \$500 but not less than \$1,000. For example, you could convert \$5,000 and keep the remaining \$5,000 as term insurance.

## NOT MUCH TIME LEFT FOR KOREAN GI BILL TRAINING

With deadlines on Korean GI Bill training fast approaching the Veterans Administration answers some questions commonly being asked by veterans with service since the Korean hostilities started. The VA's answers appear below:

Q.—For what veterans is August 20, 1954, a cut-off date?

A.—For those separated from active service before August 20, 1952.

Q.—Must this group of veterans apply for their training before August 20, 1954?

A.—They must apply and be in their training course by August 20, 1954.

Q.—If the school year starts in September 1954, how can they get under the wire? September is after their cut-off date.

A.—They must enter before August 20, 1954, even though it means entering for the term beginning in the spring of 1954.

Q.—How about veterans who were separated after August 20, 1952?

A.—Those veterans have two years from the date of their separation in which to begin their training.

Q.—Does the phrase "Korean vet" mean only those who served in Korea?

A.—No. It means those who served anywhere since Korea started. That was June 27, 1950.

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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

HORIZONTAL

1. Kitchen vessel

4. Tall crown of paper

8. Greek letter

12. A Jerry

14. Alice in the Camerons

18. Unusual

22. Gypsy

26. Mine entrance

30. Name of either

32. Goddess of discord

36. Unpleasant

38. Abstain

42. To expose

44. Symbol of

48. Quince

52. Moat

56. Name of park

60. Encyclopedias

64. Mother

68. To labor

72. To consent

76. Immature

80. Female ruff

84. Young

88. Name of

92. City in Chile

96. Before

100. Properties

104. To abide

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**BRYANT POND**

— Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bear and daughters, Melitta and Andrea, Middle Haddam, Conn., were the week end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Cole. They went to Presque Isle Monday to visit relatives.

Ernest Hayden is spending this week at New Glasgow, Nova Scotia.

Mrs. Minnie Jordan went to Yarmouth Thursday to visit her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. George Kimball until after New Years.

Pvt. James Tyler started back to Camp Atterbury, Ind., Saturday night after spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Tyler.

Mr. Erland Scribner, with Mrs. Scribner and baby, Duane, were the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Dunham last week. Due to illness Mrs. Scribner was unable to return to Falls Church, Va., Saturday, with her husband.

Other servicemen who were home for the holidays were: Pvt. Lloyd Cushman and Pvt. Roy Wermerschuk, from Fort Dix, N. J.; Corp. Cecil Farnum from Ft. Devens, Mass.; Pfc. Richard Mills and wife from Ft. Sill, Oklahoma; and MSGt. Raymond Bryant, from Dow Air Base, Bangor.

**Christmas Day News**

Mr. and Mrs. George Hayden and son Ernest were the guests of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morse, Watertown.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden Chase were at Norway with their son, Allan S. Chase, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews entered large family party, including their five daughters and families: Mrs. Harris Hathaway, Mrs. Linwood Ring, Mrs. Theodore Dunham, Mrs. Gordon Farnum, and Mrs. Arthur Wardwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bryant and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bryant spent the day at Augusta, with Mr. and Mrs. Irving Cushman.

Mr. and Mrs. Elden Hathaway entertained Mr. and Mrs. Jason Bennett, Locke Mills; Mr. and Mrs. John Pellerine, Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Hathaway.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cole were dinner guests of their son, Gardner Cole and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Day entertained Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bowker, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jordan and Miss Mary Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Abbott were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Robert Farrington, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Warner Sr. spent the holiday and week end with their son, Howard Warner and family at Essex Junction, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Billings entertained their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Royden Billings, Milford, for the week end and holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Billings were the dinner guests Christmas Day of her brother, Ronald Twitchell, and family at Turner.

The education of America's future generations depends on what you and I do today.—Charles R. Shug, Jr., NAM president.

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**LOCKE MILLS**

— Mrs. Mary Mills, Corres.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Marshall and family of West Concord, Mass., have been guests of his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Marshall.

Mr. Henry Bowers entertained at supper recently her sisters and their husbands in honor of her brother, Rodney Swift of Hawthrone, N. H., who has been visiting here. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. George Stowell of West Bethel, Mr. and Mrs. George Biden of Ridionville and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Bowers and their family.

Mrs. Gwendolyn Toolan was a Christmas guest of Mrs. Helena Bartlett and son, Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swanson and family of Biddeford visited over the Christmas holiday with her father, Wesley Kimball, and Miss Bertha Kimball. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Howe were also present for the tree at the Kimball home.

Dr. Theodore Cummings of Carlisle was at home for the holiday and week end.

Clinton Littlefield was a Christmas Day guest of his brother, Horace Littlefield, at Bethel.

Eroy Martin was a dinner guest of his son, LeRoy Martin Jr. and family on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swift entertained for breakfast on Christmas morning the following relatives: Mr. and Mrs. George Biden, Mr. and Mrs. George Stowell, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bowers and daughter, Amanda, Mr. and Mrs. Raynor Littlefield and Clinton Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. James Blanchard and son, Scott, were week end guests of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Blanchard at Alexandria, N. H., where Mr. Blanchard is manager of the Cardigan Skl Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Ford attended the fiftieth wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Percy Redding at Sumner Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Lurvey's holiday guests were Mrs. Roy Lurvey and Sandra and Michael Lurvey, Lewis Lovejoy, Mrs. Elvira Lurvey and Marlene Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Raynor Littlefield and Mrs. Lillian Flake visited on Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Morey and family at West Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Howe were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Cummings and family at Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy of Paris Hill were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leach, Christmas Day.

Fire broke out at one end of the ball field Christmas night. The fire broke out where waste from the mill has been put to fill in low, wet land, and it is planned to cover the waste at a later date and level off the ground. Several men were out until a late hour that night, and it wasn't until Saturday afternoon that it was entirely extinguished.

Scott Blanchard, little son of Mr. and Mrs. James Blanchard, is ill at his home.

Arthur Coolidge was visited on Tuesday afternoon by Edward Potter and Fred Mundt of Bethel. Mr. Potter and Mr. Mundt are the

**UPTON**

— Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Corres.

A sunshine box has been prepared for Leale Fuller, who is out of the Rumford Hospital, and expects to be home soon. He is now at the home of his son, Alan Fuller, at Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Williamson and family spent the holiday week end in Bangor with relatives.

Miss Phyllis Williamson was home from Norway over the week end.

Mrs. Lila Barnett entertained nearly all of her children and grandchildren on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Judkins entertained Mr. and Mrs. Albert Judkins and family of Rumford, Wednesday evening; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney E. Abbott and family of East Summer, Thursday, and Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick Judkins and family of Manchester, N. H., Friday and Saturday.

Miss Edith Lombard has gone to Lewiston to work.

The Douglas family had as Christmas guests: Mr. and Mrs. Junior George of Gorham, N. H. Johnnie Douglas returned with them for a few days' visit.

Miss Elaine Fuller and friend of Nashua, N. H., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Colon Fuller on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Richards of Rumford called on friends in town Saturday.

Grange meeting was held at the home of C. A. Judkins, Saturday evening.

Several people in town have killed their pigs recently.

Mrs. Malcolm Barnett's sister from Colebrook, N. H., is visiting her a few days this week.

Mrs. Willard Wight and children of Great Works, Maine, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Ban Barnett, a few days this week.

The Enman boys camped out one night this week.

great grandfathers of Mr. Coolidge's little grandson, Tommy Coolidge, of Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Valley's Christmas guests were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Valley Jr. and family of Paris Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hueston and family of West Paris, and Mrs. Dorothy Pulkkinen of Lewiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dunham visited on Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dragoon of West Peru.

Gordon Roberts was at Togus over the week end to visit his father, Ellas Roberts, at the Veterans Hospital.

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**ALBANY HUNT'S CORNER AND VICINITY**

— Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Corres.

In place of the nine o'clock church services a vesper service is to be held each Sunday evening at 7:30 during the winter months at different homes in town. The meetings for January are as follows: January 3—Mr. and Mrs. Earl Keniston; Jan. 10—Mr. and Mrs. John Spinney; Jan. 17—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimball; Jan. 24—Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Leighton.

Round Mountain Grange No. 162 held their last meeting until spring at their Hall Monday evening, December 21, with eight members present.

The charter was draped in memory of Brother Erwin Hutchinson, and Sisters Edith Stearns, Amy Bunker and Annie Bumpus were appointed for the Committee on Resolutions of Respect.

The volunteer program was as follows:

Reading, "I Had But Fifty Cents"

Sister Annie Bumpus

News Items, Brother Hugh Stearns

Questions and Answers,

Brother Harlan Bumpus Solo, "Jingle Bells"

Sister Hazel Wardwell

Jokes, Sister Edith Stearns

Anecdote, Sister Mary Mills

Jokes, Sister Amy Bunker

Refreshments were served after the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bumpus and family joined a family Christmas party of 27 at Mrs. Harry Bumpus', Auburn, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Inman and family entertained Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Hugh Stearns and daughter, Janice, and Ben Inman at Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Keniston and daughter, Lona.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and family spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hersey, North Waterford.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Cameron and baby son spent Christmas Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens and three children, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Inman and two boys were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stearns and daughter, Janice.

Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. John Spinney were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shaw of Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scribner and two boys

**ALBANY - WATERFORD**

— Lillian L. Brown, Corres.

Raynor Brown is having a nicely gravelled road built from the

of Dixfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Andrews and children, Keith and Christie, of Gorham, N. H., were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Blake and daughters, Joyce and Barbara, of Cascade, N. H., were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hall and family.

Linwood Andrews has bought a power saw and is cutting wood for his grandfather, L. J. Andrews.

Kenneth Bumpus spent Wednesday evening of last week at George Lowe's.

John Spinney is working in the woods for Winfield Howe at Bethel.

Miss Athalie Hall is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Angus Cameron and family, at Jefferson, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spinney called on Mrs. Irene Hutchinson at Bethel Friday evening.

Recent callers at Harlan Bumpus' were E. C. Lapham and Mrs. Olive Spinney.

Time, whose tooth gnaws away everything else, is powerless against truth. —Thomas Huxley

main road to his lot east of Chalk Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown entertained for Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown of Waterford, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Bachelder and daughters, Margaret and Candace of Norway, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sayward of Portland. A family tree was enjoyed in the afternoon then skating by several members of the party.

Louise Bucklin and Margaret Rolfe are visiting this week in Portland with Barbara Sayward.

Fred Wentworth joined a family party Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Holden Sawin in Waterford.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sayward returned to Portland Sunday afternoon after spending the week end with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Drew of Kennebunk spent last week end in their trailer on Sawin Hill.

Mrs. Joan Grover accompanied Mrs. Don Brown to Portland last Thursday, Mrs. Grover and husband are visiting his parents, the John Grovers at East Stoneham during the holidays.

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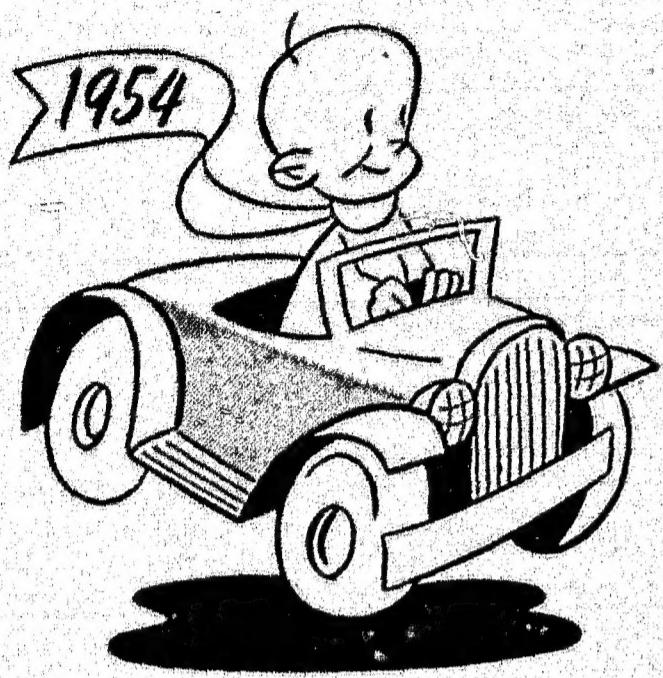
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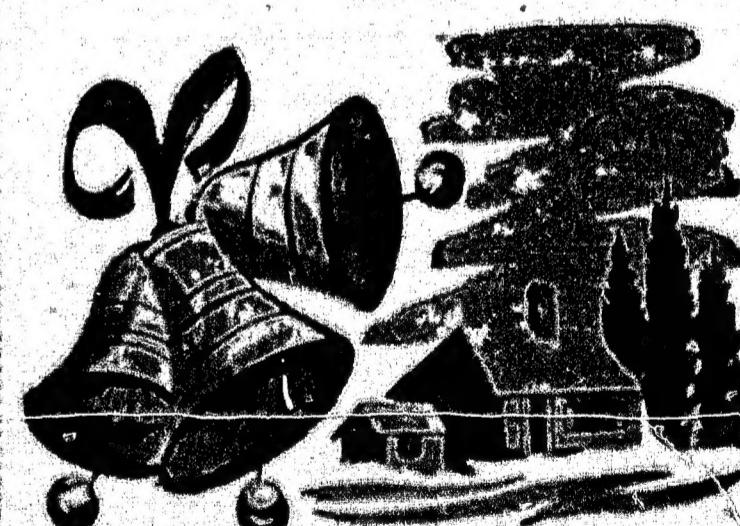
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Mr. and Mrs. Charle  
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Laurence O'Leary  
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## WATERFORD

—Mrs. Kathleen O'Leary, Corres.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fillebrown and sons were in Fitchburg, Mass., to spend Christmas with the Thomas Tierman family.

Percy Kimball has Christmas dinner with the Charles Baileys in Bridgton.

Ellen Lord of Bethel is visiting her aunt, Kay O'Leary.

Christmas Day around the Village found many families together at home. Dr. and Mrs. Bill had their children, Bill, Ruth, and William; the Tylers had their daughter, Virginia Cutler, and family; the Earl Browns had her brother, Ruth Rounds and friend were with her father, Rex Rounds; Steven Fillebrown and brother Bill and family were with their parents, the Walter Fillebrows; Dr. and Mrs. Hubbard had the Flynn family; at the O'Leary's 34 gathered for a family dinner when Walter Lord's children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren were all together.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sanderson had Christmas breakfast in Bethel with their daughter, Arlene, and family. Albert Weymouth was also there.

There has been skating on Keoka Lake during the holidays.

Miss Joyce Pike has returned to the Maine General Hospital after spending the holiday season at her home in Bridgton.

Laurence O'Leary was home from the C. M. G. Hospital for Christmas.

Christmas has come and gone. In many homes there was happiness, laughter, gay lights burning at a late hour where the family was gathered to open their Christmas packages, but in some there was illness, families with a sad heart. Now as we go forward to a New Year may we all pray for Peace and Good Will. Happiness and most of all Good Health.

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Friday evening at 7 o'clock Coach Anderson will hold a practice session for all available Gould Varsity and J. V. players. The work-out will be held in William Bling Gymnasium and the door at the Field House will be open at 6:30 for players to get their uniforms.

SONGO POND

—Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corres.

Warren Lapham and Al Weymouth spent a day recently hunting in New Hampshire. Each returned with a deer.

Mrs. Phyllis Lapham and children and William Bancroft spent Christmas Eve with Mrs. Betty Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. George Logan and boys spent Christmas day with Harry Logan and family at Norway.

Mrs. Earlon Keniston and family entertained for Christmas dinner; Mr. and Mrs. Lute Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keniston and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Keniston and family of Portland. Also on Christmas for supper they entertained Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lapham and son Byron, Mrs. Phyllis Lapham and children and William Bancroft, Mr. and Mrs. William Kimball and daughters.

Mrs. Jennie Mayberry spent Christmas with relatives in Poland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimball and family spent Christmas Day with relatives in Unity.

Mrs. Maud Kimball spent Christmas Day with her daughter, Mrs. Helen Jewell and family at Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Arsenault and children spent Christmas with relatives in Bartlett, N. H.

Mrs. Alfreda Leighton is staying with Mrs. Earlon Keniston while her mother is in the hospital.

Mrs. Phyllis Lapham and children and William Bancroft were Christmas dinner guests of his sister, Mrs. Agnes Lahti of East Waterford.

Lorraine Leighton is spending this week at home.

SUNDAY RIVER

—Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres.

The news of last week was not sent because Mrs. Nottle Fleet had a bad fall and needed constant care for a few days. She is improving but has a badly bruised right arm which is painful.

R. M. Fleet is trying to cut some wood while the mill is closed and is helped by Edward MacDonald and David Fleet.

The R. M. Fleet's had all their children except Dr. and Mrs. William Carey and children with them over the Christmas holiday.

Richard Onofrio called on David Fleet one evening recently.

The Sunday River Sunday School closed Monday, Dec. 21, with a very unusual program:

Merry Christmas, School

Hymn: It Came Upon the Mid-night Clear.

All Call to Worship, Clyde Nowlin Prayer.

Charles Runnels Hymn: O Little Town of Bethlehem, hem.

All Poem: Little Town of Bethlehem, Sheila Roberts

Mother and Child: Irene William, son and doll with Primary Group.

Hymn: Joy to the World, All Bethlehem Caravan, Julie Reynolds

Because Jesus Came, Crystle Witter

The Gifts from a Tree

Mrs. Laura Yates and the Sun-

day River Slickers; Laura Yates, accordionist; Carl Nowlin, violinist; Raymond Nowlin, Kenneth Nowlin, Richard Gilman, and Keith Bartlett, all guitars, took over and all enjoyed their music and singing for some time.

CHRISTMAS GATHERING

There was a Christmas gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Rice and family, December 25. Mrs. the tree and many gifts and then dinner was served.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and son, Chris, of Bryant Pond; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Swan of South Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Cross and family, Mrs. Ethel Cross; Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cross; Mrs. Carlton Lapham of Locke Mills; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Rice and family.

Ray and Ronald Turner are home with their father, Ollie Turner, for the Christmas vacation. They stay with their sister, Muriel, at Hanover, N. H.

Those unable to attend were

Mrs. Maude Lapham, Mrs. Mabel Dunham and Carlton Lapham of Locke Mills.

Freeman Abbott spent two days at Benton Station, Maine, with his



## SPORTS FLASHES

from The Sporting News by J. G. Taylor Spink

No. 1 Men of the Year

In Baseball Lou Perini, president of the Braves, whose phenomenal success in transferring his club from Boston to Milwaukee, provided one of the features of the 1953 season, has been awarded executive honors in the annual No. 1 Men of the Year selections by The Sporting News. The baseball newspaper handed its managerial accolade to Casey Stengel of the world's champion Yankees and named Al Rosen, third baseman of the Indians, as the outstanding player.

For the minor leagues, the awards were made to E. W. (Dick) Burnett, president of the Texas League, as the No. 1 executive; Bobby Bragan of Hollywood of the Pacific Coast League as the top manager; Gene Conley, pitcher of Toledo in the American Association, as the standout player, and Carl W. Roth, general manager of Peoria, Three-I-Legue, as the leading executive for the lower classification minors.

Ty Cobb Recalls Great Players Of His Day

Major league players of today could be every bit as good as they were 35 or 40 years ago. If they could only apply their talents and capitalize on their opportunities.

Ty Cobb relates in The Sporting News, The Hall of Fame outfielder who is regarded as the greatest player in the history of the game, makes a number of interesting observations in the story.

He says the modern players don't go all-out to attain their full potential and neglect base running, the hit-and-run and the sacrifice, as well as the psychological aspects of the game.

Years ago Cobb points out, there was no distinction between boppers and home run sluggers—all of them know how to take care of themselves on the bases. As an example, he cites Sam "Wahoo" Crawford, who twice won the home run championship and, if he had played in the lively ball era, would have challenged Babe Ruth. Yet, Sam also stole 367 bases in his major league career, including 41 in one season alone.

Short Stuff

The major leagues will have their first real policeman in many years, when Duke Marcelli reports to the Philadelphia Phillies next spring. The righthander, who pitched for Syracuse (International League) in 1953, is a cop in New York during the off-season... A total of 61 night games, a record high for metropolitan New York, will be played by the Yankees, Giants and Dodgers in the coming season. The Dodgers had scheduled 29, the Giants 10 and the Yankees 16.

Park rentals from pro football teams proved a big help this year to the treasuries of several major league baseball clubs. Despite the drop in attendance at Detroit, the Tigers broke even on the year as a result of the money they received from the football Lions for use of Briggs Stadium. The White Sox, Cuban Athletics, Giants, P. rates and Senators also have grid clubs as tenants of their parks.

Maury McDermit, the young Red Sox left-hander who was recently traded to the Senators, led all major league hurlers in night-game performance last season, winning ten straight without defeat.

The Washington Senators, who were skeptical of the enthusiastic reports of Scout Joe Cambria on Angel Scull, their Negro outfielder in the Cuban Winter League, found encouragement when the Cleveland Indians offered to buy him for \$40,000.... It is pointed out that the only coach who wasn't fired by Manager Eddie Joost of the A's was his roommate of last season, Wally Moses.... Del Wilber of the Red Sox was the No. 1 home run buster in a substitute role, socking four drives out of the lot, reports The Sporting News in a story on pinch-hitters. Wilber's total was only one short of the American League mark set by Joe Cronin in 1943.

MAGALLOWAY

—Mrs. Besse Harvey, Corres.

Cliff Wiggin, who was taken to the Rumford Community Hospital in a critical condition is dangerously ill. He was taken there by ambulance on December 11. He is 83 years old.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Frazer were callers at Fred Bennett's last week.

Mrs. Martha Bennett is recuperating at the home of her sister, hem.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Littlehale, Sheila Roberts

Mother and Child: Irene William, son and doll with Primary Group.

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Jesse Flint spent Christmas Day with his nephew, Kenneth Duba, and family at Berlin, N. H.

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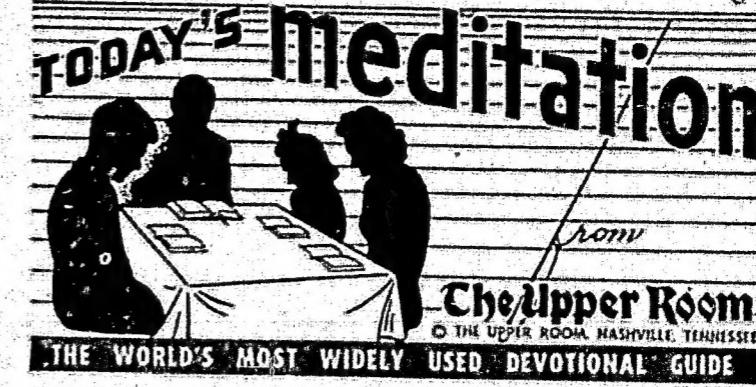
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Christmas Eve guests at Mr. and Mrs. John Frederickson's home.



Thursday, December 31

I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. (John 3:12.) Read Corinthians 5:17-21.

WHEN the year ends, we look over the path we have traveled. Voices deep within us call out, "We are your lost opportunities. We are the love and the pity and the kindness you looked within your heart."

At this milestone we also look forward. We try to look ahead into the future. We do not know what it will hold for us of joy or sorrow, friend or foe, success or failure, life or death. We face this challenge of change. As we do so, we need faith and power.

We look up. We come to the

place where stands the cross on which the Prince of glory died. We see that "love divine, all loves

**It's a New Year!**



And we hope it is filled  
with good things for you.

Ruth Carver Ames

**Happy New Year**



Our thoughts turn  
to our friends  
as a new lamp is lit.

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**Hello**



And Good Luck  
all through the fresh,  
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A PROSPEROUS  
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We hope the  
good things of life  
will abound with you

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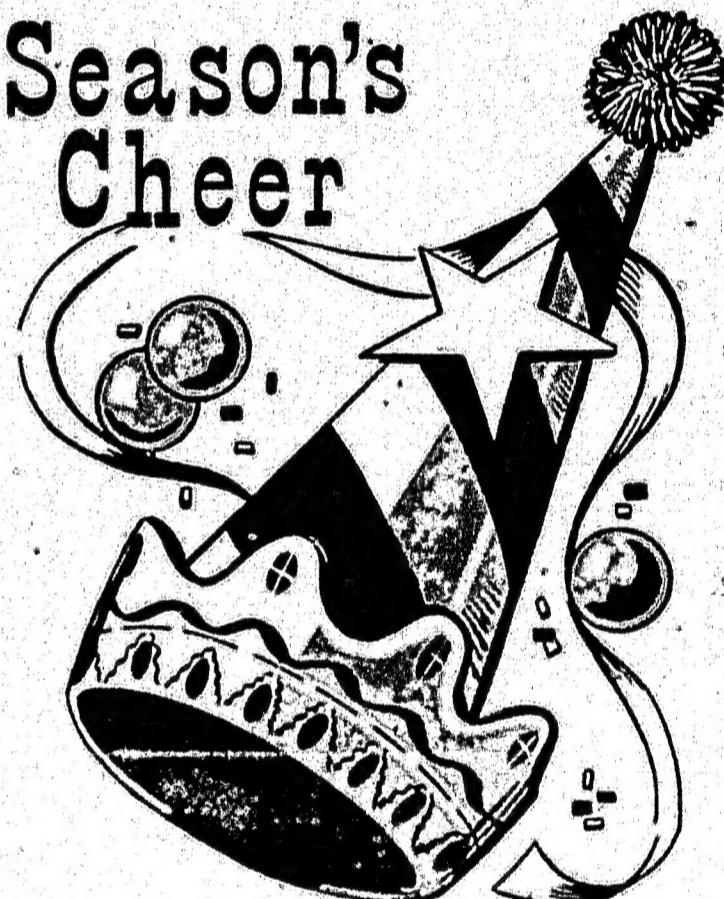
New Year  
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We add  
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to the Chorus . . .

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To YOU!  
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We lift a Holiday Hat  
to the brand New Year —  
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**a joyous  
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We hope to add to our  
history of service  
to you this year.

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STATE OF  
To all persons interested  
of the Estates hereinafter mentioned:

At a Probate Court held  
the third Tuesday of December  
the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and  
forty-four, and day to day from the  
date of said December, in the  
matters having been  
the action thereto  
indicated, it is hereby

That notice is given to

all persons interested  
a copy of this order  
three weeks successively  
in the Oxford County Citizen  
published at Bethel, Maine,  
that they may appear  
Court to be held on the  
third Tuesday of December  
one thousand nine hundred and  
fifty-four, at 10 of the clock  
noon, and be heard  
cause.

Erwin M. Hutchins,  
Bethel, deceased; his  
appointment of Irene  
son or some other  
as administrator of  
said deceased, with  
sented by Irene E. Hutchins.

Betsey B. Merrill,  
Township, deceased;  
Final Account presented  
by Myron E. Merrill.

Frances M. Davis,  
ward, first and final  
sent to allowance  
Davis, guardian.

Sumner P. Davis,  
deceased, first and  
presented for allow-  
E. Davis, administrat-

Gladys W. Bailey,  
deceased; Petition for  
ment of Walter W.  
other suitable person  
ator of estate of  
with bond, present  
W. Bailey, son and  
Witness, Shelton C.

of said Court at P.  
Tuesday of December  
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two hundred and fifty-four.

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**STATE OF MAINE**  
To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinbefore named:  
At a Probate Court at Paris, in  
and for the County of Oxford, on  
the third Tuesday of December in  
the year of our Lord one thousand  
nine hundred and fifty-three, from  
day to day from the third Tuesday  
of said December. The following  
matters having been presented for  
the action thereupon hereinafter  
indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to  
all persons interested, by causing  
a copy of this order to be published  
three weeks successively in the Oxford  
County Citizen a newspaper  
published at Bethel in said County,  
that they may appear at a Probate  
Court to be held at Paris, on the  
third Tuesday of January A.D. 1954, at 10 of the clock in the fore-  
noon, and be heard thereon if they  
see cause.

Erwin M. Hutchinson, late of  
Bethel, deceased; Petition for the  
appointment of Irene B. Hutchinson  
or some other suitable person  
as administrator of the estate of  
said deceased, without bond, pre-  
sented by Irene B. Hutchinson,  
widow.

Betsey B. Morrill, late of Mason  
Township, deceased; First and  
Final Account presented for allow-  
ance by Myron E. Morrill, Adminis-  
trator.

Frances M. Davis, of Newry,  
ward, first and final account pre-  
sented for allowance by Leslie E.  
Davis, guardian.

Sumner P. Davis, late of Newry,  
deceased, first and final account  
presented for allowance by Leslie E.  
Davis, administrator.

Gladys W. Bailey, late of Paris,  
deceased; Petition for the appoint-  
ment of Walter W. Bailey or some  
other suitable person as adminis-  
trator of estate of said deceased,  
with bond, presented by Walter  
W. Bailey, son and heir-at-law.

Witness, Shelton C. Noyes, Judge  
of said Court at Paris, this third  
Tuesday of December in the year  
of our Lord one thousand nine  
hundred and fifty-three.

2 EARLE R. CLIFFORD, Register.

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### Middle Intervale Road

Mary G. Stanley, Corres.

Mrs L. E. Davis, who has been  
helping her daughter and family,  
the Charles Hamlin, of Falmouth  
Foreside, returned home Sunday  
night. We are all pleased that  
Kathy has returned from the hos-  
pital and is on the mend.

Pfc Arnold Brown who has been  
spending some time with his par-  
ents, has returned to Paris Island,  
S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Mundt en-  
tertained for Christmas, Fred  
Mundt of Bethel and Miss Alice  
Mundt of Worcester, Mass., Mr  
and Mrs. Clayton Mills and five  
children, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest  
Mundt and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred  
Coldidge and son, Tommy, all of  
Bethel.

Supper guests recently of Aug-  
ustus Carter, Ann and Teddy, were  
Mrs. Fannie Carter and Miss Alice  
Capon, Stanley Carter and Ernest  
Morissette.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley,  
Dawn and Warren, had Christmas  
dinner with Mr. and Mrs. H. S.  
Stanley.

### NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives no-  
tice that she has been duly appoint-  
ed Exec. of the Will of Arthur E.  
Richardson late of Bethel in the  
County of Oxford, deceased, with-  
out bond, presented by Walter  
W. Bailey, son and heir-at-law.

Master Tommy Carter visited  
his cousins at Mechanic Falls last  
week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kennagh spent  
Christmas with their son and family,  
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kennagh  
at South Paris; the Tommy  
Kennagh with her mother, Mrs.  
Alice Millett.

Carey Stevens and family en-  
tertained Randolph Stevens, Sarah  
Morgan, Marilyn Hobert and  
Rhonda, also Mr. and Mrs. Albert  
Johnson and family of Balley's  
Island.

Saturday visitors at Malcolm  
Mundt's were Mr. and Mrs. Frank  
Cragin and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest  
Cragin and family of Westbrook.

Mrs. H. S. Stanley has been un-  
der the doctor's care.

Mrs. Roy Luray has been help-  
ing days in the care of Miss  
Cornelia Chapman.

Kathryn H. Richardson  
Nov. 17, 1953. Bethel, Maine 53-2

### STATE OF MAINE

Oxford ss. December 17, 1953.  
Taken this seventeenth day of  
December, 1953, on execution dated  
November 20th, 1953, issued on a  
judgment rendered by the Superior  
Court for the County of Oxford  
and State of Maine at a term  
thereof began and held on the first  
Tuesday of November, 1953, to wit,  
the seventeenth day of said Novem-  
ber, in favor of William Beun  
of Milton Plantation in said County  
of Oxford, against Louis Jean  
Grandmason of Colebrook in the  
County of Coos and State of New  
Hampshire, for the sum of three  
hundred seventy-nine dollars and  
sixty-one cents, debt or damage,  
and twenty-three dollars and ninety-  
three cents costs of suit, and will  
be sold at public auction on the  
premises in Greenwood in said  
County of Oxford to the highest  
bidder, on the twenty-seventh day  
of January, 1954 at two o'clock  
in the afternoon, the following de-  
scribed real estate and all the right,  
title and interest which the said  
Louis Jean Grandmason has and  
had in and to the same on the  
thirteenth day of January, 1953 at  
five o'clock in the afternoon, the time  
when the same was attached  
on the writ in the same suit, to wit:  
A certain lot or parcel of land  
with the buildings thereon situated  
in Greenwood in said County of  
Oxford in that part known as the  
Irish Neighborhood, and bounded  
and described as follows: Com-  
mencing on line of land now or  
formerly of Will Seamen and John  
H. Deegan at a point where said  
line intersects line of land of the  
Flaherty lot, so known; thence in  
a westerly direction along line of  
said Flaherty lot across the old  
County Road to a corner and line  
of Grafton Lumber Company  
thence in a southerly direction  
along line of said Grafton Lumber  
Company to a stake and stones on  
line of land of L. E. Davis; thence  
in an easterly direction along line  
of land of said L. E. Davis across  
said old County Road to a corner  
and line of land now or formerly  
of J. F. Harrington; thence in a  
northerly direction along line of land  
of said Harrington to a corner and  
line of land of said Will Seamen;  
thence in a northerly direction  
along line of land of said Seamen  
to the point of beginning.

Containing one hundred forty  
acres, more or less, and being the  
same premises conveyed to said  
Louis Jean Grandmason by John  
H. Deegan by his deed dated  
November 23, 1932, and recorded  
in Oxford Registry of Deeds in  
Book 528, Page 476.

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### WEST PARIS

Mary G. Stanley, Corres.

Mrs. Genevra Tuell, Corres.

Universalist Church, Rev. Earle  
W. Dolphin, minister, next Sunday:

Sunday School at 9:30; Worship

Service at 10:30; Youth Fellowship

at 6:30. The church was very busy

during Christmas, with Sunday ser-

vices, candlelight service, family

supper with 130 present, children's

fine program and tree. Lighted

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## IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

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Mr and Mrs William Robertson and family of Ashland spent the holiday and week end with relatives.

Mrs E J Webster of Farmington is spending her vacation with her sister, Mrs S H Greenleaf, and family.

Mr and Mrs Gilbert LeClair and daughter, Judith, of New Britain, Conn., spent the past week with relatives in town.

Mr Donald Lord will return by plane to Texas Friday after spending some time with his parents, Mr and Mrs Lawrence Lord.

Mr Keith Wilson of the F D Warren AFB, Cheyenne, Wyo., spent Christmas leave with his parents, Mr and Mrs Leon Wilson.

The Ladies Club will meet Thursday afternoon, Jan. 7, at the home of Mrs E Van Den Kerckhoven with Mrs John Howe and Mrs Henry Godwin as co-hostesses. Mrs Charles Merrill has charge of the program.

Miss Gwen Stearns and Karl Stearns have gone to St. Petersburg, Fla., where they will spend the winter. They were accompanied by Mrs Jeannette Trelothen, who will spend a few days there before returning home.

Bethel Evening Group of the Extension Service will hold a meeting on Leathercraft at the Methodist Church Tuesday evening, Jan. 12, at 7:20. All refreshments or business meeting. All interested please notify Mrs Abbie Brown, chairman, before Jan. 6.

Mr and Mrs E K Tibbets held a family gathering Christmas Day. Present were Morton Bean, Mr and Mrs Ralph Cook, Mrs Thelma Haasing of Norway; Mr and Mrs Homer Tibbets, Mrs Helens Bean, Mrs Ruth Wilson, Mrs Garey York, Mrs Richard Bryant, Keith and Kathryn Wilson, and Mr and Mrs Elgin Tibbets and family.

Holiday guests of Mrs Elizabeth Wight are Mr and Mrs Stafford Cassell, Washington, D. C.; Mr and Mrs Carl Wight and children, Caris and Jean, Waterville, and Miss Irene Wight, Thomaston, Conn.

Stephen Haatings entertained last Thursday at a party celebrating his third birthday. Those attending were Sarah Pendleton, Jo Ann Perry, Dickie Waldron, Steve Trinward, David and Johnny Thurston, Frances and Jimmy Thurston, Hartley and Erland Noyes, and Cindy Haatings.

Mrs Sadie Robertson and Mr and Mrs Charles Kooskie entertained at a family dinner party on Christmas Day. Those present were: Mrs Robertson, Winfield Robertson, Mr and Mrs Henry Robertson and family. Mr and Mrs William Robertson and family of Ashland, Mr and Mrs Fenton Robertson, Mr and Mrs Murry Cummings and family of Locke Mills. Mrs Emma Robertson, Mrs Minnie Harlow, Mrs Mildred Phillips and son Guy, and Mr and Mrs Charles Kooskie and family.

The children's Christmas party was again a success, and the Committee wishes to thank all those who helped in any way. Our special thanks to the following for the financial aid which made possible the distribution of 300 gifts: American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, P I H Chardbourn, Albert Buck, Mrs Dorothy Kirkpatrick, Pete Baker, Richard Waldran, Carroll Abbott, Miss Alice Capon Kimball Ames, Henry Haatings, Fred Grover, Stuart Martin, Doseman's Drug Store.

Mr and Mrs Herschel Glines entertained at a Christmas dinner party at Gering Hall Friday. Present were Mr and Mrs Clifford McLaughlin and Berkely, Mr and Mrs Eddie Dorion and Billy, Bucksport. Mr and Mrs Edward Richardson, Dennis and Tim, Hanover; Mr and Mrs David Glines, Andover; Mr and Mrs Adney Gurney and Mr and Mrs Roscoe Truitt, Acheson; Mrs Katharine Adams, Marilyn, Roger and Herbert Adams; Mr and Mrs Paul Belcher, Mr and Mrs Roland Glines, Greenwich, Dennis and Emily.

**BORN**

In Rumford, Dec. 26, to Mr and Mrs Harry Robertson of Bethel, a daughter, Bonnie Lee.

In Rumford, Dec. 26, to Mr and Mrs Kenneth Hutchinsen of Bethel, a daughter, Bonnie Lee.

In Rumford, Dec. 26, to Mr and Mrs Jackie Brown of Bethel, a daughter.

**MARRIED**

In Bethel, Dec. 26, by Rev. Charles L Pendleton, General Warren Great of Wiscasset and Miss Carolyn Marjorie Morris of Bethel.

In Bethel, Dec. 26, by Rev. Charles L Pendleton, John H Brown of Bethel and Miss Wilma Beth Swan of Locke Mills.

In Bethel, Dec. 27, by Rev. Charles L Pendleton, Henry Bourne of Bucksport and Miss Nancy Van Den Kerckhoven of Bethel.

**DIED**

In Portland, Dec. 26, Arthur C. Irick, formerly of Bethel, aged 87 years.

In Bethel, Dec. 26, Mrs Bella B. Bennett, aged 84 years.

In Boston, Dec. 26, Patricia Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jerome Davis, aged 4 months.

## EAST BETHEL

—Mrs David S. Foster, Corres.

Little Randy Swan celebrated his third birthday on December 23 with a party at his home. A big birthday cake and ice cream were served as refreshments. Those present were Roberta Swan and Andrew Swan, Mrs Gail Scribner and children, Paul and Gilda, Mrs Romona Curtis and children, Larry and Doris Ann, Janis and Anita Swan and the hostess, Mrs June Swan and the honored guest.

Mr and Mrs Lee Swan and children, Randy, Janis, and Anita, attended a family Christmas party in Bethel. Those present were Mr and Mrs James Browne and son, Larry, Mr and Mrs Raymond Greenwood, and children, Terry, Vance, Victor and Kerry of Dummar, Mr. H. Walter Enman, Mr and Mrs Leon Enman and Mrs Ida Vall of Newry.

Mr and Mrs Lee Swan and family, Mr and Mrs Robert Swan and children, Keith Field and Ted Cummings and Ora Swan were weekend guests of Miss Doris Field in Moody, Maine.

The Women's Extension Group appointed the following committees at their last meeting: Community Service: chairmen, Lillian Bartlett, Bernice Noyes, Agnes Haines; Exhibit: Florence Haatings. Extension Nursery committee: chairman, June Swan, Gerry Howe, Margaret Ring.

Miss Sonia Swinton returned Sunday from visiting her father, Earl Swinton, in Skowhegan, for several days.

Mrs Gordon Coffin and Jeanna of South Paris were guests of her mother, Mrs Maggie Newton last Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Wayne Moore, and Mr and Mrs Wendell Edmunds and daughter of South Paris were guests of Mrs Evelyn Harrington Christmas Eve.

Mrs Marguerite Bartlett, Miss Shirley Bartlett, Miss Dorothy Bartlett and Robert Coolidge left Monday for Orono to attend State 4-H Contest. They will return on Wednesday.

Mrs Ida Blake and Victor Robinson were guests of Mr and Mrs Charles Reed in Bethel on Christmas Day.

Lloyd McGuire visited his brother in Peru last week.

Mr and Mrs Eugene Berry and two children of Mexico were guests of Mr and Mrs Lewis Smith Thursday of last week. Mr and Mrs Edwin Billings and children of West Paris were their guests last Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Lewis Smith and family spent Christmas Day with her brother, Mr and Mrs James Billings, in Welchville.

Mr and Mrs Richard Houle were guests of her son and family, Mr and Mrs Donald Kimball, in South Rumford, Christmas Day.

Mr and Mrs Virgil Curtis and family, and Lee Thurlow were guests of Mr and Mrs Al Curtis Christmas Day. Mrs Romona Curtis made a big, beautiful birthday cake for Mrs Florence Curtis whose birthday is also on Christmas.

Mr and Mrs Roy Smith and family of Lovell and Mr and Mrs Fred Walton of Portland were guests of Orvis Farwell Christmas week end.

Guests on Christmas Day of Mr and Mrs Urban Bartlett were Mr and Mrs Clifton Bean of Rumford, and Mr and Mrs Earl Graves of West Bethel.

Mr and Mrs Harry Maxwell and children, Barbara, Robert, Janice and Richard, of Richmond, Mass., were guests of his sister and family, Mr and Mrs David Foster, Saturday and Sunday.

Guests on Christmas Day of Mrs Nannie Foster were Mr and Mrs Warren Smith and children, Charles and Bonnie, of South Rumford. Mr and Mrs Lawrence Crockett and children, Howard, Bobby, Charlotte, George, Kenneth Gordon, Esther, Teddy, and Grace.

Week end guests of Mr and Mrs Jessie Noyes were Mr and Mrs Philip McNamee and children of Augusta. Mr and Mrs Clayton Grant of Reading, Mass., Miss Elizabeth Grant and Miss Judith Ham of Lewiston.

**WEST GREENWOOD**

—Mrs P. W. Croteau, Corres.

Mr and Mrs Paul Croteau, Jr., and son, Paul, were recent guests of her parents, Mr and Mrs Lester Halloway, at Walpole, Mass.

Paul Croteau arrived home from Memphis, Tenn., Thursday night for a short furlough.

Miss Leon Davis of West Paris was a guest of Miss Gloria Wilson a few days last week.

Heddy Harrington, of the U of M, was home for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Wilma Croteau and Charles Bailey of Boston were guests of the Croteaus for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs W C Hancock of West Bethel were callers at Croteau's Christmas Day.

Paul Croteau Jr. moved his family to his new home recently.

Miss Mary Ford of Lewiston was the guest of Miss Gloria Wilson a few days the first of this week.

## WEST BETHEL

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Mr and Mrs Allen Walker were at North Shapleigh, Maine, Sunday. They called on Mr and Mrs Holden Berry.

Mr and Mrs Cleveland Lovejoy and family, Manchester, Conn., have returned after spending several days with Mr and Mrs Fred Lovejoy.

Mr and Mrs Shirley Gilbert were at South Portland Saturday to attend the wedding of her cousin, Mrs Carolyn Abbott to Rocco Perrelli.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Gilbert and family and Miss Mary Head were in Rumford, Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Paul Head and family were in Portland, Sunday.

Holiday guests of Mr and Mrs Ralph Coulombe and family were Mr and Mrs Louis B Martel, Berlin, N. H.; Mr and Mrs Louis Martel, Jr., and son, Giscard, New Britain, Conn.; Mr and Mrs Eugene Dionne and Mrs Samuel Polkross, Lewiston; and Miss Violet Planni, Cascade, N. H.

Mr and Mrs Charles Byers spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs Clark Johnson and family, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Mr and Mrs Charles Hancock were at West Greenwood, Christmas Day.

Mr and Mrs Raymond Saunders and family spent Christmas at Shelburne, N. H.

Mr and Mrs Clayton Kendall were in Magalloway, Sunday.

Christmas Day guests of Mr and Mrs Clayton Kendall were Marvin Kendall, Boston; Mr and Mrs Maurice Kendall, Mr and Mrs Ronald Kendall and Mr and Mrs Lawrence Kendall and daughter.

Shirley Gilbert and Randall Gilbert were in Albany, N. Y., Tuesday.

Miss Patricia Rolfe, Lynn, Mass., is visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs Clarence Rolfe.

Pleasant Valley Grange met last Tuesday night with Worthy Master Chester Wheeler in the chair.

Donations were voted for the Salvation Army, Maine Children's Home and New England Home for Little Wanderers.

Robert Gilbert was appointed to see about getting some wood.

Refreshment committee for the next meeting is Mrs Cad Kimball, Mr and Mrs George Gilbert.

A Christmas tree was enjoyed.

Refreshments were served by Mrs Katherine Bennett, Mrs Norman Hall and Mrs Chester Wheeler.

**SKILLINGSTON**

—Mrs Ola Tift, Corres.

Galen Doeden, USN, has been spending the holidays at his home here.

Mr and Mrs Stanley Lord and family joined a family reunion on Christmas Day at the home of Lawrence O'Leary where there were thirty-four present.

Mr and Mrs Prexcott Tucker Jr. and daughter, Claire, of Dover, Mass., have been guests of their parents, Mr and Mrs Guy Pratt, for several days.

Mr and Mrs Roscoe Swain and children spent Christmas Eve with her parents, Mr and Mrs Norman Weacott at Bryant Pond.

Miss Henrietta Swain has been home from Bates and Edwin Jr. home from Schenectady, N. Y.

The Swain family spent Christmas Day at Gray.

Mr and Mrs Angelo Onofrio were in Milan, N. H., Saturday.

David Fleet of Sunday River spent Christmas Eve at the Onofrios.

Miss Agnes Gray and Mr and Mrs Kenneth Berry of Buckfield spent Christmas Day and week end with Mr and Mrs Robert Baker and family.

Saturday callers of the Bakers were Mr and Mrs Frank Nash of Anson.

Mr and Mrs Frank Trimback and family had Christmas dinner with Mr. Trimback's relatives in East Stoneham.

Mr and Mrs Frank Trimback and Mr and Mrs Robert Tift were in Berlin, Sunday evening.

Mr and Mrs Chester French and granddaughter, Priscilla Perkins of Norway called at the Tifts Thursday evening.

Mr and Mrs Rodney Hanscom and family spent Christmas evening with Mr and Mrs Clyde Brooks and family.

Mr and Mrs Robert Greenleaf of Farmington spent the week end at the Greenleaf home, leaving Monday to visit Mrs Greenleaf's parents, Mr and Mrs Leonard Montserrat, at West Newton, Mass.

**Good Cheer**

## Years Ago

10 YEARS AGO

The Paris Farmers Union store on Skidgill Ave., South Paris, was burned. The loss was \$60,000.

John Twaddle graduated from Boston University School of Medicine. He received his commission as a Lieutenant in the Medical Corps, USNR.

20 YEARS AGO

E. W. Abbott of South Paris announced his candidacy for a second term as County Attorney.

Tyler's Garage at Bryant Pond was destroyed by fire. The loss was estimated at \$7,500.

Deaths: Enoch Abbott, Miss Shirley DeCoste.

40 YEARS AGO

The Volunteer Hose Company held a ball in Odson Hall, Pettigill's Orchestra of Lewiston furnished the music.

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